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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.

 Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- The oath or declaration is unsigned.
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The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

• Additional claim fees of \$362 as a non-small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$1262 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$362

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Applicant files this Response to a Notice to File Missing Parts (Form PTO-1533) and Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, within the three-month period set to expire on August 6, 2004. The notice (copy enclosed) indicates that the application was filed without the statutory basic filing fee and a signed oath or declaration.

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced application is an authorization for payment of the required fees and a combined declaration and power of attorney in response to the missing parts request.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge a total of \$1262.00 as payment of the statutory basic filing fee and surcharge associated with this Communication and Deposit No. 20-Response, or credit any overpayment, to Account 0782/WEAT/0344/WBP.

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